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SUBJECT: RHODESIA: RICHARD'S PLANS

1. TONY DUFF INFORMED EMBASSY OFFICER JANUARY 17 THAT
RICHARD WILL NOW PROCEED TO CAPETOWN TO MEET WITH
VORSTER, POSSIBLY WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON. RICHARD WILL GIVE
VORSTER A COPY OF THE NEW BRITISH PAPER AND THEN GO ON TO
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SALISBURY WHERE HE WILL DELIVER THE SAME PAPER TO SMITH
AND MUZOREWA. SIMULTANEOUSLY, THE PAPER WILL BE GIVEN TO
NKOMO, MUGABE, AND SITHOLE WHEREVER THEY HAPPEN TO BE.
SHORTLY THEREAFTER, THE PRESIDENTS WILL RECEIVE A COPY.

2. RICHARD'S FAILURE TO MEET WITH THE PATRIOTIC FRONT
OVER THE WEEKEND WAS CAUSED BY DELAYS IN OBTAINING

CALLAGHAN'S APPROVAL FOR THE BRITISH PAPER, DUFF SAID, NOT BY ANY NEW SURPRISE ON NKOMO'S PART. THE CONFUSION AMONG THE PARTIES HAS NOW BEEN CLEARED UP. THE FOREIGN OFFICE WOULD HAVE PREFERRED TO DISCUSS THE PAPER WITH AT LEAST ONE BLACK DELEGATION--ESPECIALLY THE PATRIOTIC FRONT--BEFORE SHOWING IT TO VORSTER OR SMITH, BUT ITS INABILITY TO MEET WEEKEND'S DEADLINE LEFT RICHARD WITH THE PROSPECT OF ELEVEN DAYS' IDLENESS IN NAIROBI.

3. RICHARD MAY SPEND AS MUCH AS THREE DAYS IN SALISBURY. IN ADDITION TO MEETING WITH SMITH AND MUZOREWA HE WILL SEE OTHER INTERESTED GROUPS IN THE CAPITAL AND PERHAPS IN OTHER TOWNS IN RHODESIA PROVIDING ALL THE SESSIONS HAVE RHODESIAN GOVERNMENT APPROVAL. RICHARD'S PLANS ARE NOT CLEAR BEYOND THIS WEEKEND.

4. DUFF SAID THERE HAD BEEN SOME MINOR CHANGES IN THE BRITISH PAPER WHICH HE WILL COMMUNICATE TO US SHORTLY.

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